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SUBJECT: MFA COMMENTS ON NYE VISIT AND REPROCESSING

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1. INTERNATIONAL PRESS STORIES ON THE NYE VISIT AND DOMESTIC PRESS SPECULATION ON THE TRIP, COMBINED WITH CLAIMS BY BHUTTO THAT THE "SECRET" NYE VISIT WAS EVIDENCE OF THE FOREIGN CONSPIRACY, HAVE COMPELLED THE MFA TO RELEASE A PUBLIC STATEMENT ON NYE AND REPROCESSING.

2. AUGUST 11 PRESS QUOTES AN MFA SPOKESMAN THAT "CERTAIN INTERNATIONAL NEWS MEDIA" HAVE SOUGHT TO CAST DOUBT ON PAKISTANI AND FRENCH DETERMINATION TO FULFILL THEIR AGREEMENT ON THE NUCLEAR REPROCESSING PLANT. THE ARTICLE RECOUNTS GENERAL ZIA'S JULY FIFTH STATEMENT THAT THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT WOULD HONOR ALL AGREEMENTS MADE BY THE FORMER GOVERNMENT AND THAT THIS POSITION HAD BEEN CONVEYED TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES, INCLUDING THE US. THE SPOKES-
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MAN SAID THAT SINCE THIS POLICY WAS "UELF-EVIDENT", GOP HAD NOT AFFIRMED IT PUBLICLY, BUT RECENT "MISLEADING AND TENDENTIOUS WORLD PRESS REPORTS" HAD NECESSITATED OFFICIAL GOP CLARIFICATION OF THIS ISSUE.

3. SPOKESMAN ALSO SAID THAT THIS ISSUE WAS DISCUSSED WITH JOSEPH NYE DURING HIS JULY 29-31 VISIT AND THE POSITIONS

OF BOTH SIDES "REMAINED AS DIVERGENT AS BEFORE".
ARTICLE ADDS THAT THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT MADE IT CLEAR THAT
PAKISTAN WOULD NOT COUNTENANCE DELAYS OF ANY KIND IN THE
PROJECT.

4. THE EXPLANATION THAT SINCE THE GOP POSITION WAS SO
OBVIOUS NO PUBLIC STATEMENT ON THE NYE VISIT HAD BEEN NECESSARY
IS SOMEWHAT DISINGENUOUS, AND FOR SOUND POLITICAL REASONS
IGNORES THE FACT THAT BHUTTO'S ATTEMPT TO USE THE VISIT
TO SUPPORT HIS CONSPIRACY THEORY WAS UNDOUBTEDLY A MAJOR
REASON FOR THE STATEMENT. THE GOP HAS USED THE OPPORTUNITY,
HOWEVER, TO RESTATE ITS FIRM PUBLIC STAND ON THE REPRO-
CESSING ISSUE.
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